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SUBJECT: JUNE 27-28 MEETING OF IEP WORKING PARTY

REF.: (A) STATE 138196; (B) STATE 138491

1. IN HIS OPENING REMARKS AT JUNE 27 MEETING, DAVIGNON STATED HIS INTENTION TO PRODUCE PAPER FOR NEXT ECG WHICH LOOKS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE LIKE TEXT OF FINAL UNDERTAKING ON WHICH ECG MIGHT AGREE AT END OF JULY. HE INTENDS CONCENTRATE ON BASIC AGREEMENT ON ELEMENTS OF INTER-RELATED SCHEME, BUT ALSO WANTS TO IDENTIFY FOR GOVERNMENTS THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL COSTS OF COMMITMENTS THEY WOULD BE CALLED ON TO MAKE UNDER SUCH A SYSTEM. THUS, WE BELIEVE IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO AVOID ALL DISCUSSION OF SPECIFIC NUMBERS. ALTHOUGH WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO KEEP NUMBERS OUT OF THE PAPER, WE ARE LIKELY TO HAVE TO INDICATE VARIOUS RANGES OF NUMBERS OF WHICH U.S. IS PRESENTLY THINKING IN TERMS OF DEMAND RESTRAINT, TARGET STOCKS, AND TRIGGER MECHANISMS. WOULD APPRECIATE
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GUIDANCE ON THESE RANGES OF NUMBERS FOR USE IN

DISCUSSION.

2. AFTER READING REVISED SECTIONS OF U.S. POSITION AND YOUR BACKGROUND COMMENTS, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT OUR EXPLANATION OF WHY WE HAVE SELECTED IMPORT BASE FOR SELECTIVE TRIGGER IS NOT COMPLETELY PERSUASIVE. IMPORT BASE CLEARLY TILTED IN DIRECTION OF U.S. OTHER COUNTRIES MAY BE WILLING ACCEPT THIS ON POLITICAL GROUNDS. BUT THEY WILL CLEARLY THEN WANT TO KNOW SPECIFIC LEVEL AT WHICH WE WOULD PROPOSE TO SET THIS TRIGGER. IT ALREADY CLEAR THAT MOST CONSIDER FIVE PERCENT TOO LOW.

3. REFTELS DO NOT PROVIDE ELABORATION OF CRITERIA FOR FAIL SAFE MECHANISMS WHICH WE PROMISED AT FIRST WORKING GROUP MEETING ON JULY 18. BELIEVE THIS SUBJECT WILL INEVITABLY ARISE AND WILL APPRECIATE RECEIVING DRAFT SUGGESTED LANGUAGE ASAP. FIRESTONE

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